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SUBJECT 1. Construction Activities near Vlasim - Domasin DATE DISTR. 28 October 1953

2. Armament Works Brno Plant near Vlasim - Bolinka NO. OF PAGES 2

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1. The Vlasim (O 50/M 14) - Velis road, 7 km. southwest of Vlasim, was closed to civil traffic by military sentries. Construction work was done in the area of Hradiste, about 4 km. southwest of Vlasim. Stones and cement were trucked from the Jinosev brickyard, about 3 km. south of Vlasim, on army vehicles to the building site, at which, residents said, underground depots were under construction. The building area extended from the area around Hradiste to the southeast as far as Skalka Hill, south of Malovidy, 6 km. southeast of Vlasim. The woods on Skalka Hill was occupied by soldiers, who were seen constructing telephone lines. They did not show up in villages.
2. The ammunition plant Ces Zbrojovka,² whose former designation was Seller-Bellot, was on the northeast side of the Vlasim - Bolinka road, directly southeast of the railroad crossing, and allegedly manufactured rifle ammunition and explosives of various kinds with a labor force of 10,000 men. The entire installation was constantly guarded by soldiers who wore dog-head insignia on dark-red patches and belonged to a unit of about 150 men, which was stationed at the installation.

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Comment: Domasin is the location of one of the largest fuel depots throughout Czechoslovakia. The construction activities possibly are connected with the fuel depot or the ammunition plant. It is believed that underground depot installations are under construction there.

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Comment: An Armament Works Brno (Zbrojovka Brno) plant is listed in the 1951-52 telephone book as being located at Vlasim. "Ces Zbrojovka" here is probably a reference to the Czech Armament Works (Ceska Zbrojovka), but no Czech Armament Works plant is listed in the telephone book as being located at Vlasim.

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25X1A Comment: Guard units of soldiers wearing dark-red service color
and dog-head insignia are reported for the first time. possibly
25X1 a unit of the so-called Interior Guard.

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